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SUBJECT: PRESS SUMMARY - JANUARY 29

1. NYT (PAGE 2) MICHAEL T. KAUFMAN REPORTS FROM LUANDA THAT SOVIET-SUPPORTED MPLA IN ANGOLA REPORTEDLY WITHIN STRIKING DISTANCE OF TWO CRITICAL POSITIONS HELD BY THE RIVAL ANGOLAN FACTIONS.

2. WP (OP-ED PAGE) VICTOR ZORZA'S "FRENCH-KREMLIN DEBATE" SAYS UP-COMING DEBATE IN FRENCH COMMUNIST PARTY ON RETAINING OR DROPPING SLOGAN DICTATORSHIP OF THE PROLETARIAT -- IF GENUINE -- COULD PROVE TO BE REAL CHANGE OF HEART AND COULD LEAD TO OTHER CHANGES WHERE IT WOULD NO LONGER BE "COMMUNIST PARTY" AS THAT TERM HAS BEEN UNDERSTOOD IN THE WEST.

3. SUN (PAGE 2) REPORTS THAT SOVIET DIPLOMATS IN AT LEAST TWO CAPITALS, INCLUDING WASHINGTON, EXPRESSED PRIVATE CONCERN THAT MOROCCAN-ALGERIAN CONFLICT OVER FORMER SPANISH SAHARA COULD ADD TO STRAIN IN U.S.-USSR RELATIONS AND THESE EXPRESSIONS OF CONCERN APPARENTLY FORM OF PREVENTIVE DIPLOMACY AS THEY COINCIDED WITH RELEASE OF PENTAGON REPORT ON CURRENT RUSSIAN ACTIVITY
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IN AFRICA.

4. SUN (PAGE 6) ARNOLD R. ISAACS REPORTS FROM HONG KONG THAT IN RENEWING ITS PROPAGANDA DRIVE DEPICTING THE USSR AS CHIEF DANGER TO WORLD PEACE, CHINA HAS ACCUSED SOVIET LEADERS OF BUILDING UP RUSSIA'S ARMED MIGHT AND "ASSUMING A WAGGERING POSTURE THROUGHOUT THE WORLD" AND TAKING MUCH BIGGER STRIDE THAN U.S. IN ARMS EXPANSION AND WAR PREPARATIONS.

5. STAR (PAGE 2) REPORTS RUSSIA HAS NAVAL AND AIR ACCESS TO 16 PORTS AND AIRFIELDS AROUND THE RIM OF AFRICA ACCORDING TO PENTAGON MAP DISTRIBUTED TO PRESS.

6. CSM (PAGE 2) MINI-BRIEF REPORTS SOVIET READY TO DEPLOY TWO NEW LAND-BASED NUCLEAR MISSILES WHICH CAN BE LAUNCHED FROM MOBILE PLATFORMS.

7. CSM (PAGE 3) TAKASHI OKA FROM LONDON REPORTS BRITAIN'S OPPOSITION CONSERVATIVES DELIGHTED BUT PUZZLED OVER MOSCOW'S SLASHING ATTACKS ON MRS. THATCHER FOR HER SPEECH LAST WEEK ACCUSING SOVIET OF SEEKING WORLD DOMINANCE.

8. CSM (JANUARY 28, PAGE 3) ELIZABETH POND SAYS SOVIET SOURCES HAVE STRESSED THAT SECRETARY IS PLAYING ELECTION-YEAR POLITICS BOTH WITH SALT AND ANGOLA. KISSINGER

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